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declare that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the attached specification and claims and we verily believe that we are the original, first and joint inventors or discoverers of the invention or discovery in

**REFASTENABLE ABSORBENT PRODUCT WITH Z-FOLDED SIDE PANELS  
AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME IN THE MACHINE DIRECTION**

described and claimed in the attached specification; that we do not know and do not believe that this invention was ever known or used in the United States before our invention or discovery thereof; that to the best of our knowledge and belief the invention has not been in public use or on sale in the United States more than one year prior to our application, or patented or made the subject of an inventors' certificate in any foreign country prior to the date of our application on an application filed by ourselves or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to our application in this country; that we acknowledge our duty to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56(a); and that no application for patent or inventors' certificate on this invention or discovery has been filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns in any country foreign to the United States, except as follows:

None

**POWER OF ATTORNEY**

We hereby appoint the following attorneys to prosecute this application and transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:

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**PETITION**

Wherefore we Pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the attached specification and claims, and we hereby subscribe our names to the attached specification and claims, Declaration, Power of Attorney and this Petition.

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## DECLARATION

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